

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please insert the following headings and paragraph at page 1, after the title:

Priority Claim

This is a 35 U.S.C. §371 National Stage of International Application No. PCT/EP2003/012786, filed on November 15, 2003. Priority is claimed on that application and on the following application:

Country: Germany, Application No. 102 53 739.9, Filed: November 19, 2002.

Background of the Invention

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 1, lines 3-4, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The invention concerns a method for the closed-loop speed control of an internal combustion engine in accordance with the introductory clause of Claim 1.

Please insert the following heading at page 2, between lines 5-6:

Summary of the Invention

Please delete the paragraph at page 2, lines 8-9.

Please insert the following heading at page 3, between lines 5-6:

Brief Description of the Drawings

Please insert the following heading at page 3, between lines 12-13:

Detailed Description of the Invention

Please insert the following new paragraph at page 8, after line 13:

Although the present invention has been described in relation to particular embodiments thereof, many other variations and modifications and other uses will become apparent to those skilled in the art. It is preferred, therefore, that the present invention be limited not by the

specific disclosure herein, but only by the appended claims.

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